GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REGISTRATION OF PASSPORT THROUGH INTERNET
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the average number of passports issued daily in Mumbai passport office;

(b) whether the Government have made certain improvements in this office and have provided new facilities also;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is a proposal for the registration of passport through Internet in Mumbai passport office; and

(e) if so, the time by which this system is likely to be introduced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) The average number of passports issued daily by RPO Mumbai is 900.

(b)&(c)The Government have made several improvements in the Regional Passport Office, Mumbai.

Major improvements/facilities introduced recently are:

(I) Machine writing of passports has commenced in Passport Office, Mumbai w.e.f. 27th November 2001.

(II) Index Card check is being done on computers.

(III) Additional space has been rented to eliminate congestion at the Passport Office.

(d)&(e) At present there is no proposal for registration of passport applications through Internet.